

REMARKS:

The Office Action dated February 11, 2008, has been carefully considered. In response thereto, the following amendments and remarks have been prepared, which are intended to be fully responsive to the Office Action.

Summary of the Office Action

Claims 1, 3, and 6-8 are pending in the application, of which claims 1 and 8 are independent claims. None of the pending claims have been cancelled in this paper, and no new claims have been added. Thus, upon entry of this paper in the record, claims 1, 3, and 6-8 will be pending.

In the Office Action, the claims of record have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,195,835 to *Song et al.* in view of U.S. Patent No. 3,557,399 to *Wolf* and Japanese patent reference JP9-164100 for the same reasons set forth in previous Office Actions.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

The rejection of the claims under § 103(a) is respectfully traversed for the following reason. Claims 1 and 8 have been amended to recite that “the inhaled air from the brush existing the cyclone dust collector flows through the double-bent construction.” As pointed out by the Examiner in the Office Action, that feature of the present invention is not taught in the combination of cited references. Applicants respectfully submit that the inventions of claims 1 and 8, taken as a whole with that new feature included, would not have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the claims are not obvious in view of the cited references. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under § 103(a) are respectfully requested.